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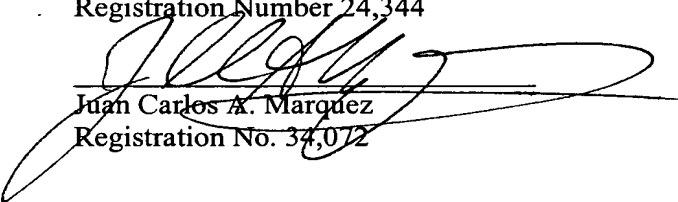
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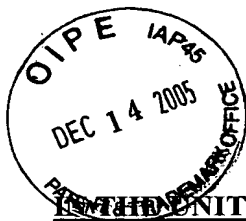
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116**

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on September 14, 2005, the period of response to which is set to expire on December 14, 2005. Please amend the above-referenced application as follows: